UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	7
IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER SITE LITIGATION	21 MC 100 (AKH)
JOEL ESPOSITO, AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN L ESPOSITO, AND JOEL ESPOSITO INDIVIDUALLY	DOCKET NO.
Plaintiffs,	CHECK-OFF ("SHORT FORM") COMPLAINT RELATED TO THE MASTER COMPLAINT
- against -	
A RUSSO WRECKING, ET. AL.,	PLAINTIFF(S) DEMAND A TRIAL BY JURY
SEE ATTACHED RIDER,	

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By Order of the Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein, United States District Judge, dated June 22, 2006, ("the Order"), Amended Master Complaints for all Plaintiffs were filed on August 18, 2006.

Defendants.

#### NOTICE OF ADOPTION

All headings and paragraphs in the Master Complaint are applicable to and are adopted by the instant Plaintiff(s) as if fully set forth herein in addition to those paragraphs specific to the individual Plaintiff(s), which are listed below. These are marked with an ' $\checkmark$ " if applicable to the instant Plaintiff(s), and specific case information is set forth, as needed, below.

Plaintiffs, JOEL ESPOSITO, AS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN L ESPOSITO, AND JOEL ESPOSITO INDIVIDUALLY, by his/her/their attorneys WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP, complaining of Defendant(s), respectfully allege:

## I. PARTIES

### A. PLAINTIFF(S)

1.	☑ Plaintiff, JOHN L ESPOSITO (hereinafter the "Injured Plaintiff"), is an individual and
a citizen of _	residing at
	(OR)

2. Alternatively, 🗹 JOEL ESPOSITO is the Administrator of Decedent JOHN L ESPOSITO, and brings this claim in his (her) capacity as Administrator of the Estate of JOHN L ESPOSITO.

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3. citizen of		(hereinafter the "Derivative Plaintiff"), is a, and has the following relationship to the
Injured Plaint	iff:  SPOUSE at all relevant times, and bring	herein, is and has been lawfully married to Plaintiff ngs this derivative action for her (his) loss due to the and (his wife), Plaintiff
	· ·	Other:
	In the period from 9/14/2001 to 10/8/2 and New Jersey as a Recovery Worker/	2001 the Injured Plaintiff worked for Port Authority
Location(s) (i	I Trade Center Site i.e., building, quadrant, etc.)  bout _9/14/2001 until _10/8/2001 ;	The Barge From on or about; Approximately hours per day; for Approximately days total.
Approximately 12 hours per day; for Approximately 23 days total.		Other:* For injured plaintiffs who worked at
☐ The New From on or al Approximate! Approximate!	York City Medical Examiner's Office bout until, ly hours per day; for ly days total.	Non-WTC Site building or location. The injured plaintiff worked at the address/location, for the dates alleged, for the hours per day, for the total days, and for the employer, as specified below:
☐ The Fresh From on or al Approximate Approximate	Kills Landfill bout until; ly hours per day; for ly days total.	From on or about 9/14/2001 until 10/8/2001; Approximately 0 hours per day; for Approximately 0 days total; Name and Address of Non-WTC Site Building/Worksite:
		aper if necessary. If more space is needed to specify rate sheet of paper with the information.
5.	Injured Plaintiff	
	Was exposed to and breathed above;	noxious fumes on all dates, at the site(s) indicated
	✓ Was exposed to and inhaled or dates at the site(s) indicated above;	r ingested toxic substances and particulates on all
	✓ Was exposed to and absorbed the site(s) indicated above;	or touched toxic or caustic substances on all dates at
	✓ Other: Not yet determined.	

6.

Injure	d Plaintiff
V	Has not made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund. Pursuant to \$405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was denied. Pursuant to § $405(c)(3)(B)(i)$ of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund, that was subsequently withdrawn by Ground-Zero Plaintiff. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, the issue of waiver is inapplicable.
	Made a claim to the Victim Compensation Fund that was granted. Pursuant to § 405(c)(3)(B)(i) of the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, 49 U.S.C. § 40101, Ground Zero-Plaintiff has waived her/his right(s) to pursue any further legal action for the injuries identified in said claim.

## B. DEFENDANT(S)

The following is a list of all Defendant(s) named in the Master Complaint. If checked, all paragraphs pertaining to that Defendant are deemed pleaded herein.

☐ THE CITY OF NEW YORK	☑ A RUSSO WRECKING
☐ A Notice of Claim was timely filed and	☑ ABM INDUSTRIES, INC.
served on and	$\blacksquare$ ABM JANITORIAL NORTHEAST, INC.
pursuant to General Municipal Law §50-	✓ AMEC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,
h the CITY held a hearing on(OR)	INC.
<u> </u>	✓ AMEC EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
☐ The City has yet to hold a hearing as required by General Municipal Law §50-h	✓ ANTHONY CORTESE SPECIALIZED
	HAULING, LLC, INC.
☐ More than thirty days have passed and	✓ ATLANTIC HEYDT CORP
the City has not adjusted the claim	☑ BECHTEL ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL
(OR)	CORPORATION
☐ An Order to Show Cause application to	☑ BECHTEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.
deem Plaintiff's (Plaintiffs') Notice of	☑ BECHTEL CORPORATION
Claim timely filed, or in the alternative to grant	☑ BECHTEL ENVIRONMENTAL, INC.
Plaintiff(s) leave to file a late Notice of Claim	☑ BERKEL & COMPANY, CONTRACTORS,
Nunc Pro Tunc (for leave to file a late Notice of	INC.
Claim <i>Nunc Pro Tunc</i> ) has been filed and a	☑ BIG APPLE WRECKING & CONSTRUCTION
determination	CORP
is pending	☐ BOVIS LEND LEASE, INC.
Granting petition was made on	☑ BOVIS LEND LEASE LMB, INC.
☐ Denying petition was made on	☑ BREEZE CARTING CORP
	☑ BREEZE NATIONAL, INC.
☐ PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND	☑ BRER-FOUR TRANSPORTATION CORP.
NEW JERSEY ["PORT AUTHORITY"]	
☐ A Notice of Claim was filed and served	P.C. ☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
pursuant to Chapter 179, §7 of The	☑ C.B. CONTRACTING CORP
Unconsolidated Laws of the State of New	☐ CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF
York on	NEW YORK, INC.
☐ More than sixty days have elapsed since	MEW TORK, INC.  ☑ CORD CONTRACTING CO., INC
the Notice of Claim was filed, (and)	☐ CRAIG TEST BORING COMPANY INC.
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has	☑ DAKOTA DEMO-TECH
adjusted this claim	☑ DAROTA DEMOTILENT ☑ DIAMOND POINT EXCAVATING CORP
☐ the PORT AUTHORITY has not	☑ DIEGO CONSTRUCTION, INC.
adjusted this claim.	☑ DIVERSIFIED CARTING, INC.
	☑ DATE ENTERPRISE, INC.
☐ 1 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ D'ONOFRIO GENERAL CONTRACTORS
□ 1 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	CORP
☐ 2 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EAGLE LEASING & INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY
☐ 2 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EAGLE ONE ROOFING CONTRACTORS INC.
☐ 4 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☐ EAGLE SCAFFOLDING CO, INC.
☐ 4 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☑ EJ DAVIES, INC.
☐ 5 WORLD TRADE CENTER, LLC	☑ EN-TECH CORP
☐ 5 WTC HOLDINGS, LLC	☐ ET ENVIRONMENTAL
☐ 7 WORLD TRADE COMPANY, L.P.	□EVANS ENVIRONMENTAL

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☐ Non-WTC Site Building Owner	☐ Non-WTC Site Building Managing Agent
Name:	Name:
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	Building/Worksite Address:
☐ Non-WTC Site Lessee	•
Name:	
Business/Service Address:	
Building/Worksite Address:	

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The Court's jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action is:

	unded upon Federal Question Jurisdiction; speciation Act of 2001, (or);   Federal Officers I: Contested, b	Jurisd	
remo	val jurisdiction over this action, pursuant to 28		
	III CAUSES	S OF	ACTION
of lial	``		d defendants based upon the following theories a such a claim under the applicable substantive
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law(s) including §§ 200 and 240	<b>V</b>	Common Law Negligence, including allegations of Fraud and Misrepresentation
<b>V</b>	Breach of the defendants' duties and obligations pursuant to the New York State Labor Law 241(6)		<ul> <li>✓ Air Quality;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Mask Provided;</li> <li>✓ Effectiveness of Other Safety Equipment Provided</li> </ul>
<b>V</b>	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-a		(specify:);  ✓ Other(specify): Not yet determined
V	Pursuant to New York General Municipal Law §205-e	V	Wrongful Death
			Loss of Services/Loss of Consortium for Derivative Plaintiff
			Other:

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1. As a direct and proximate result of defendant's culpable actions in the rescue and/or recovery and/or construction, renovation, alteration, demolition and all work performed at the premises, the Injured Plaintiff sustained (including, but not limited to) the following injuries:

	Cancer Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to  WTC work:	V	Cardiovascular Injury: Cardiac Problems; Chest Pain; Heart Attack Date of onset: 10/18/2001 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
V	Respiratory Injury: Cough; Shortness of Breath; Sinus Problems; Wheezing Date of onset: 10/18/2001 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date	V	Fear of Cancer Date of onset: 10/18/2001 Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work: To be supplied at a later date
	Digestive Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to  WTC work:	<b>V</b>	Other Injury: N/A.  Date of onset:  Date physician first connected this injury to WTC work:

*NOTE:* The foregoing is *NOT* an exhaustive list of injuries that may be alleged.

2. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries identified in paragraph "1", above, the Ground Zero-Plaintiff has in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer the following compensable damages:

damages:	
==== V	Pain and suffering
V	Loss of the enjoyment of life
<b>V</b>	Loss of earnings and/or impairment of earning capacity
<b>▽</b>	Loss of retirement benefits/diminution of retirement benefits  Expenses for medical care, treatment, and rehabilitation
<b>V</b>	Other:  ✓ Mental anguish ✓ Disability ✓ Medical monitoring ✓ Other: Not yet determined

3. As a direct and proximate result of the injuries described *supra*, the derivative plaintiff(s), if any, have in the past suffered and/or will in the future suffer a loss of the love, society, companionship, services, affection, and support of the plaintiff and such other losses, injuries and damages for which compensation is legally appropriate.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff(s) respectfully pray that the Court enter judgment in his/her/their favor and against defendant(s) for damages, costs of suit and such other, further and different relief as may be just and appropriate.

 $Plaintiff(s) \ demands \ that \ all \ issues \ of \ fact \ in \ this \ case \ be \ tried \ before \ a \ properly \ empanelled \ jury.$ 

Dated: New York, New York September 28, 2007

Yours, etc.,

Worby, Groner Edelman & Napoli Bern, LLP

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#### ATTORNEY VERIFICATION

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO, an attorney at law, duly admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, affirms under the penalties of perjury that:

He is the attorney for the plaintiff(s) in the above-entitled action.

That he has read the foregoing SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT and knows

the contents thereof, and upon information and belief, deponent believes

the matters alleged therein to be true.

The reason this Verification is made by deponent and not by the plaintiff(s) is that the plaintiff(s) herein reside(s) in a county other than the one in which the plaintiff's attorneys maintain their office.

The source of deponent's information and the grounds of his belief are communication, papers, reports and investigation contained in the file.

DATED: New York, New York September 28, 2007

CHRISTOPHER R. LOPALO

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	To Attorney(s) for
	Service of a copy of the within is hereby admitted.  Dated,
	Attorney(s) for
	PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
	□ NOTICE OF ENTRY  that the within is a (certified) true copy of an duly entered in the office of the clerk of the within named court on20
	□ NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT  that an order of which the within is a true copy will be presented for settlement to the HON. one of the judges of the within named Court, at on 20 at M.  Dated,  Yours, etc.,  WORBY GRONER EDELMAN & NAPOLI BERN, LLP